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- ☒ 2 page(s) of claims
- ☒ 3 sheets of drawings ☒ formal ☐ informal (**FIGS 1-7**)
- ☒ 6 page(s) of Preliminary Amendment and marked-up copy
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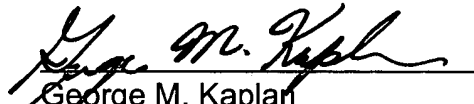
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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 8]
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 - Descriptive title of the invention
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 - Background of the Invention
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